

A RESOLUTION to honor Mandy Barnett for her outstanding
achievements in entertainment .

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to recognize those exemplary Tennesseans who have utilized their skills and abilities to bring joy and excitement to thousands of people in this great state and across the nation; and

WHEREAS, Mandy Barnett is one such gifted person who has entertained and mesmerized the citizens of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Barnett began singing in church at age five, where she appeared at the Cumberland County Fair and many other local events; and

WHEREAS, this motivated young singer sang at Dollywood at age 10 and later signed a recording contract at age fourteen; she starred at the Cumberland County Playhouse as Annie Oakley in the Cumberland County High School production of "Annie Get Your Gun" and starred in "Pump Boys and Dinettes" as "Prudie" in her professional acting debut at the Playhouse; and

WHEREAS, Mandy Barnett has gone from high school graduate to national performer with appearances on television, the Grand Ole Opry, the Ryman Auditorium and a solo concert at the Cumberland County Playhouse; and

WHEREAS, a remarkable young lady by any measure, Ms. Barnett, in 1994, portrayed the character of Patsy Cline in Ted Swindley's "Always Patsy Cline"; and

WHEREAS, those who attended the performance included Patsy Cline's husband and daughter, Billy Walker, the Jordannaires, K.T. Oslin, Emmy Lou Harris, Joe Diffie, Amy Grant, Dawn Wells of "Gilligan's Island" and Katie Sagal, who plays Peg Bundy on "Married with Children"; and

WHEREAS, she enjoys the love and support that she receives from her family and friends of Crossville, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, this body is proud to specially recognize Ms. Barnett for her outstanding musical accomplishments; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby congratulate Mandy Barnett on her outstanding accomplishments in music and wish her well in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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